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Transmitted herewith for filing is the continuing patent application of:

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ACCESSING OBJECTS OF DIFFERENT THREAD TYPES

Enclosed are:

- 18 pages of specification, 13 pages of claims, and an abstract
- 8 sheet(s) of drawings
- 2 pages of an Oath or Declaration
- A copy of oath or declaration filed with the prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
- Preliminary Amendment

Continuing Application:

- Continuation
- Divisional
- Continuation-in-part (CIP)

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- The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.
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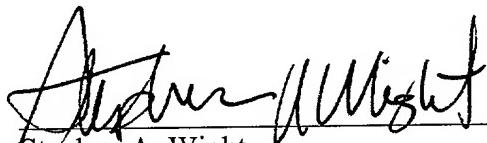


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the above application as follows:

In the Specifications:

Please add the following paragraph at page 1, line 2:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/896,136, filed May 14, 1997.--.

In the Claims:

Please cancel without prejudice claims 1-15, 24-45 and 51-56.

19. (Amended) A method in a computer system for mapping access to an object developed with a first programming model to a second programming model, the method comprising:

intercepting an attempt by a program of the second programming model to instantiate an object of the first programming model;
instantiating the object; and
setting a wrapper object to reference the instantiated object;

intercepting an attempt by a program of the second programming model to invoke a member function of the instantiated object using a reference to the wrapper object; invoking the member function of the object referenced by the wrapper object; and mapping parameters returned by the invoked member function in accordance with the first programming model to the second programming model.

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**Marked-up Version of Amended Claims
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121(b)-(c)**

19. (Amended) A method in a computer system for mapping access to an object developed with a first programming model to a second programming model, the method comprising:

intercepting an attempt by a program of the second programming model to instantiate [the] an object of the first programming model;

instantiating the object; and

setting a wrapper object to reference the instantiated object;

intercepting an attempt by a program of the second programming model to invoke a member function of the instantiated object using a reference to the wrapper object;

invoking the member function of the object referenced by the wrapper object; and

mapping parameters returned by the invoked member function in accordance with the first programming model to the second programming model.